WHEN IN DOUBT DUMP IT OUT!

Find all sources of standing water and flush or empty them every 3 days. You might be surprised where they are:

- Pet dishes
- Plants and plant saucers
- Birdbaths
- Reflecting ponds
- Old tires
- Trash container lids



Mosquito Control Services

The following services are available by request:



Handspraying:

We can spray around your property during the daytime. The first 2 per calendar year are no charge.

Each additional spray is charged a \$25.00 fee.



Inspections:

We can perform area inspections to check for problems. This service is offered at no charge.



Larviciding:

We can treat mosquito breeding areas such as ponds, ditches, and swamps. This service is offered at no charge.



Mosquitofish:

We can stock ponds with fish that eat mosquito larvae.

This service is offered at no charge.



Truck Spraying:

We can spray streets and properties at night. This service is offered at no charge.

MOSQUITO CONTROL SERVICES & FACTS



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What does Mosquito Control do?

Leon County Mosquito Control works to reduce the overall amount of mosquitoes in Leon County through various techniques.

Adulticiding:

Adulticiding involves the spraying of adult mosquitoes, more commonly known as Hand Spraying and Truck Spraying.

Hand Spraying is the spraying of adult mosquitoes around the yards of a residence during the day.

Truck Spraying is the spraying of adult mosquitoes by truck mounted ULV sprayers during the night.

Adult Mosquito Surveillance:

To monitor adult mosquito activity, technicians use landing rate counts, CDC light traps and other methods as needed.

Arbovirus Surveillance:

Mosquito Control operates seven sentinel chicken sites around the county to monitor for mosquito borne diseases.

Community Education:

This service is used to inform the public about things they can do to help control mosquitoes.

Inspections:

Inspections of properties or neighborhoods can be performed to locate problem areas.

Larviciding:

Larviciding helps to reduce the amount of

This service involves the treatment of larval mosquitoes in wet areas. Larvicide activities occur throughout the year. This service may be performed as a result of a request or as part of our on going operations. We check areas that can be treated by Ground and Aerial application.

Mosquito Fish:

Mosquito Fish eat mosquito larvae and can be placed in pools, ponds or swamps upon request.

Waste Tire Recycling:

Technicians remove mosquito breeding waste tires from problem areas.

Mosquito Facts

- * There are more than 3,000 species of mosquitoes throughout the world.
- * More people have died from mosquito-borne diseases than have died in all the wars ever fought.
- * In warm weather mosquitoes only need about 3 days to grow from egg to adult.
- * Birds and bats, while desirable, may not reduce the number of mosquitoes in your yard.
- * Expensive and popular electric bug zappers may kill more beneficial insects than mosquitoes. The zappers may also attract many more mosquitoes into your yard if not properly installed.

What attracts Mosquitoes?

- * Mosquitoes are attracted to humans because of the carbon dioxide you exhale.
- * Other chemicals in your breath and on your

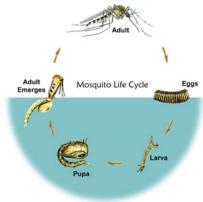
- * The color, texture, temperature and moisture in your skin is a factor.
- * Certain soaps, perfumes, hair treatments, lotions and personal care items all have chemicals in them that attract biting insects.

Why do Mosquitoes bite?

Only the female mosquito bites. Female mosquitoes bite to get a blood meal for their young. The blood is used to help produce mosquito eggs.

How do Mosquitoes grow?

Mosquitoes start their growth in standing water. Mosquitoes grow to adulthood through four stages. The egg stage, the larva stage, the pupa stage and finally the adult stage.



Insect Repellents

Use repellents containing DEET, Picaridin, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus, or IR3535. Widely available in many forms. Apply sparingly according to the label.